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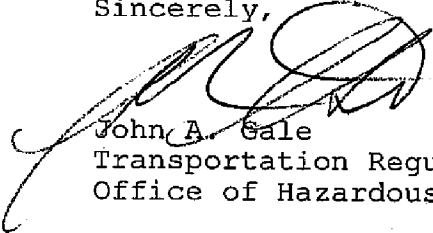
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Dear Mr. Olsen:

This is in response to your letter regarding the exception covering aqueous solutions of alcohol in § 173.150(e) of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; 49 CFR Parts 171-180). Specifically, you ask if the "hazardous material" as used in § 173.150(e) means a hazardous material as defined in § 171.8.

The answer is yes. The aqueous solution may not contain any other hazardous material as defined in § 171.8.

Sincerely,



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To whom it may concern,

Transportation Systems Solutions respectfully requests interpretation of 49 CFR 173.150(e) namely the exception covering aqueous solutions of alcohol specifically with regard to the wording "no other hazardous material".

Transportation Systems Solutions requests clarification of the term "hazardous material" as used within the terms of this exception. The clarification sought is to determine if the use of this term is in context with the definition of "hazardous material" as defined in 49 CFR 171.8 namely a material that meets the defining criteria for hazard classes and divisions in 49 CFR Part 173.

I thank you for your time. Should you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me at 815-479-0897, by return fax or e-mail at pbwolsen@aol.com.

Kind Regards

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